

## MASONS DEDICATE CATHEDRAL HERE FOR SCOTTISH RITE

### JUSTICE, RIGHT AND TRUTH ARE INVOKED BY HEAD OF ORDER

Simple Unadorned Americanism Keynote of Commander Moore's Address.

### NATIONAL DIGNITARIES ATTEND THE CEREMONIES

Buffet Luncheon Is Served Throughout Afternoon to Friends of Order.

### HAYS UNABLE TO BE HERE

Creature Comforts Ample Provided For In Temple—Large Library and Reading Room Included

In the name of a just administration, of wise laws, of better fellowship throughout the world, of fidelity to obligations, of loyalty to his fellowman, the new Scottish Rite Temple, at the corner of Park Avenue and Harrison Street, was dedicated last night by George Fleming Moore, grand commander of the Southern Jurisdiction of Scottish Rite Masons in America.

Many who attended said the ceremonies in the temple were among the most impressive that have ever been seen in Richmond, and the crowded room, members of the fraternity, their wives and friends paid the closest attention to the proceedings of the service.

#### Only Few Vacant Seats.

In the soft glow of lights, the auditorium early began to fill, and by the time the ceremonies began there were but few vacant seats remaining. Suddenly the pipe organ began its prelude, and the curtain at one end of the hall, which had been converted into a small stage, began to rise slowly.

Officers of the fraternity who were to take part in the ceremonies, together with Mr. Moore and H. W. Wittever, grand herald of the jurisdiction, came slowly in and took their seats around the candles which had been placed directly in front of the stage.

Moore Was First Speaker.  
Mr. Moore was the first to speak as part of the dedication ceremonies, and in a few words told what the purpose of the gathering was and of the objects of the order—to promote fellowship, better understanding and a love of God.

Each of the men who took part in the ceremonies had his own particular part to perform, and they arose to perform their duties, with never a hitch and never a question of what was to be done next. During the reading of the parts of the ceremony, there was incidental music on the pipe organ, as well as musical numbers by the Scottish Rite Choir.

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### ITALY WILL ELECTRIFY 5,000 MILES OF RAILROAD

(By Associated Press.)

ROME, April 9.—Italy has decided to electrify about 5,000 miles of her railways and will shortly send a mission to the United States to study there the best systems of railway electrification, for application here. This mission is headed by Professor Semenza, of Milan and includes many of Italy's best known experts in the field of electricity. It will leave for America, April 16, on the liner Imperator.

## JAMES CITY BOOTLEGGERS ESCAPE IN RAIN OF BULLETS

Dry Officers, in Quest of Still, Stumble Across Trio of Blockade Runners—Capture Auto and 113 Quarts of Scotch Whisky.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

WILLIAMSBURG, VA., April 9.—While out seeking to locate a still in James City County yesterday afternoon, Commonwealth's Attorney Ashton Doyell and Sheriff L. P. Trice stumbled on three alleged blockade runners near Barhamsville, which netted 113 quarts of fine old Scotch whisky and one new Nash touring car. Although the three men were caught red-handed and placed under arrest, they made a dash for liberty when their guard turned his head to speak to another man. They fled through the woods under a rain of gun and pistol fire, but all three succeeded in getting away.

The officers were told they would find a stalled car on the Richmond Highway and were soon on the scene. One wheel of the car was down, and the men had telephoned for help. While waiting for the parts to come, the alleged bootleggers hauled up a case of the goods to a point in the

## PLAN ORGANIZATION OF HOUSE MONDAY

Republicans and Democrats Meeting Separately, Put Things in Shape.

### KITCHIN OPPOSES GILLET

G. O. P. Has 301 Members and Democrats 131 in New Body.

(By Associated Press.)  
WASHINGTON, April 9.—Republicans and Democrats, meeting separately, put things in shape today for the organization of the House of Representatives at noon Monday.

Speaker Gillett, nominated by the Republicans, will be opposed for reelection by Representative Claude Kitchin, Democrat, North Carolina. Mr. Gillett will be elected, and Mr. Kitchin, by reason of his nomination, will become Democratic leader. In the new House the Republicans have 301 members and the Democrats 131.

Back after a long rest, Mr. Kitchin said he felt physically fit to carry on his work as minority leader, but, at his request, Representative Garrett, Tennessee, was named as acting leader.

At their final caucus Republicans ratified the action of the committee on committees and adopted the report on standing committee assignments. The action of the general committee in giving representation to labor and agriculture on the steering committee was approved.

### Other Members Hold Over.

Representative Nolan, California, who holds a union card, and Representative Anderson, Minnesota, long active in urging legislation designed to aid the farming industry, were added to the committee, along with Representative Greene, Vermont, who succeeds Chairman Winslow, of the Interstate Commerce Committee. Other members hold over.

### WILL ARM CLERKS TO HALT MAIL ROBBERS

(By Associated Press.)

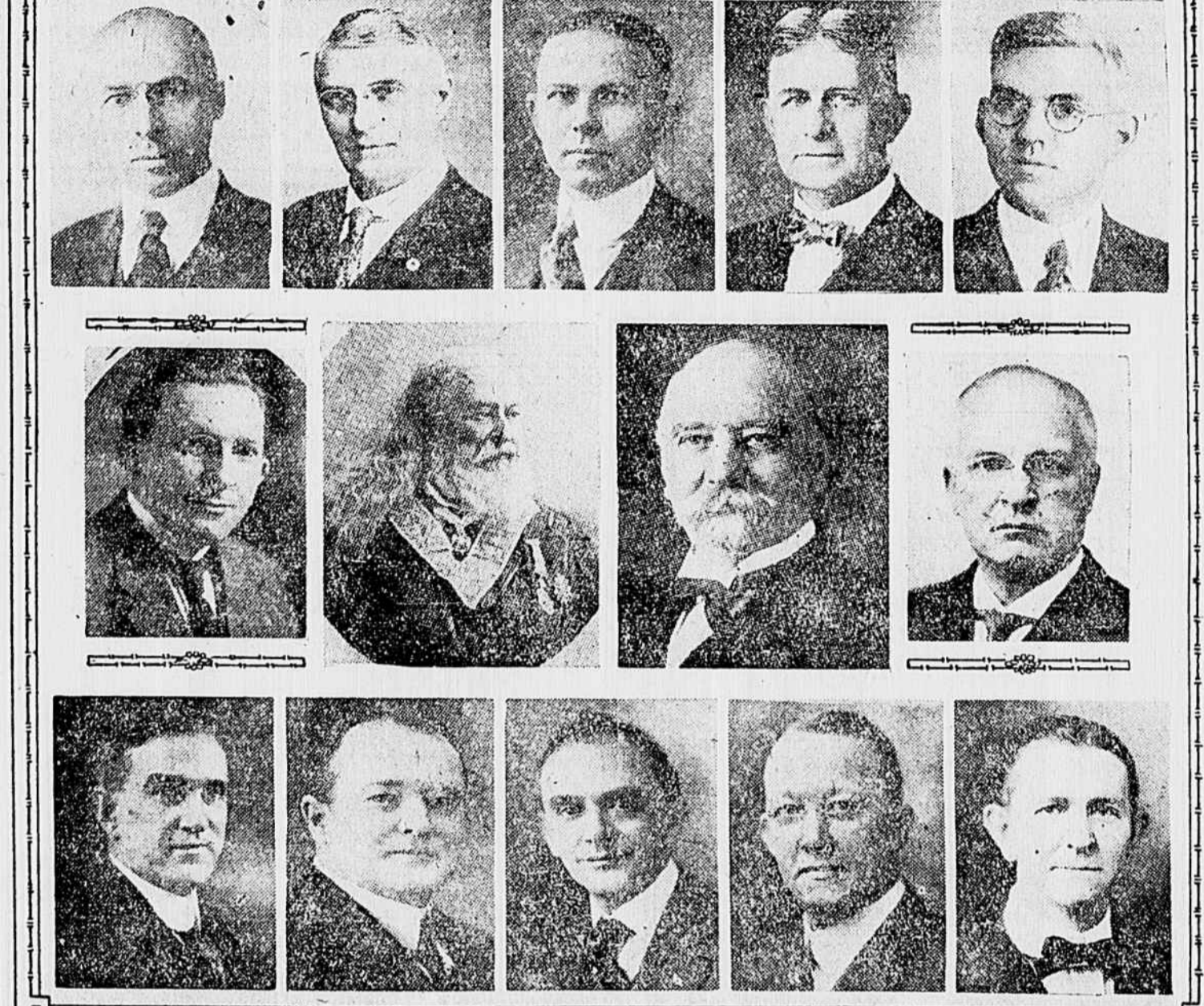
WASHINGTON, April 9.—Postal employees will hereafter be armed and rewards given for apprehension of mail robbers. Postmaster-General Hays today sent out an order posting a standing reward of \$5,000 for "any postal employee or other person who brings in a mail robber." The order further provided for the arming of essential men in the service, and gave notice that every man is expected to uphold the honor of the service.

### Find Mother Guilty OF MURDERING 2 SONS

(By Associated Press.)

WALKEN, OHIO, April 9.—Mrs. Alta M. Kohler was found guilty of murder in the second degree for the alleged killing of her two sons, aged 3 and 5 years, by a jury in Common Pleas Court here this afternoon. The jury was out four hours before reaching a verdict. Mrs. Kohler's defense was that a negro had shot her children. Sentence has not yet been passed.

## SCOTTISH RITE MASONS OF NATIONAL IMPORTANCE TAKE PART IN DEDICATION OF RICHMOND CATHEDRAL



First row, left to right—Dan P. Shourne, 32nd, R. C. C. H. Venerable Master, Libertas Lodge of Perfection, No. 3; C. M. Robinson, 32nd, Architect of Cathedral; Henry G. Emrick, 32nd, R. C. C. H. Master of Lodges, Duluth Consistory, No. 1; Robert S. Crump, 33rd, Hon. Deputy to the Supreme Council in Virginia; Beverly C. Lewis, Jr., 33rd, Hon. Commander, St. Omar Council, Knights Rodolph, No. 1. Second row, left to right—H. M. Wittever, representative of the Supreme Council in South Carolina and Georgia; Albert Pike, known as the Father of Scottish Rite Masonry; George Fleming Moore, 33rd, Grand Commander, Supreme Council, Washington; Charles A. Nesbitt, 33rd, Hon. Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Virginia, and one of the three surviving charter members of Scottish Rite Masonry in Richmond. Third row, left to right—L. B. Siegfried, 33rd, Hon. Treasurer of the Co-Ordinate Bodies; John W. Cowles, 33rd, Secretary Supreme Council; W. S. Pettit, 33rd, Hon. Wise Master, Police Chapter, Knights Rose Croix, No. 2; James A. Richardson, 33rd, Hon. Director of Work; J. Gus Hanks, 33rd, Hon. Secretary of the Co-Ordinate Bodies.

## MANY BIG CONVENTIONS MEET HERE THIS WEEK

State and Local Civic Organizations Also Have Sessions on Schedule.

### HOST OF VISITORS COMING

Rotary and Kiwanis Clubs Gather Tomorrow—From One to Three Meetings Planned for Each Following Day.

Richmond is going to have an unusually large number of meetings of civic organizations this week, as well as several State-wide conventions, which are of interest to hundreds of people. During this time, the Richmond Hotel will be the center of most of the activity of these meetings.

Beginning on Monday, the Rotary and Kiwanis Clubs will hold their weekly meetings at 6 o'clock. Because of the opening of the Seventh District convention in Norfolk Tuesday, the Rotary Club moved its meeting to a day so that the two "pep" organizations will hold forth at the same place and time.

#### Employing Printers to Meet.

Employing printers will meet at the Richmond at 2 o'clock on Monday afternoon, when a number of important questions relating to the printing industry here will be taken up and discussed.

Virginia Underwriters will gather at the hotel Tuesday for a big meeting.

### 1 KILLED, 16 WOUNDED, IN ITALIAN FIGHTING

(By Associated Press.)

VENICE, ITALY, April 9.—Fighting between Socialists and Fascists, or extreme Nationalists, in which one person was killed and sixteen wounded, occurred here today. As a consequence of the conflict a general strike has been declared.

#### Peasants Riots in Siberia.

(By Associated Press.)  
IRKUTSK, April 9.—Peasant riots in Western Siberia are reported in advices received here from Moscow today. The peasants have received the so-called green army and have occupied Tobolsk, cutting off the town from the trans-Siberian railroad, the advices say.

#### Kansas to Accumulate 22,000 Box Cars

(By Associated Press.)  
TOPEKA, KAN., April 9.—An agreement to accumulate a surplus of 22,000 empty box cars in Kansas for initial movement of the 1921 wheat crop was reached here today at a conference of the railroad and the Public Utilities Commission.

## LEAGUE OF JUSTICE WITH ORGANIZED PEACE WILL BRING ORDER TO WORLD, SAYS COLBY

Only Solution of Present Perplexities and Woes, Declares Ex-Secretary of State at Jefferson Day Dinner—Wilson Sends Message.

(By Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, April 9.—Organized peace and a league of justice will lead the world's afflictions, Cambridge Colby, former Secretary of State, told more than 1,000 guests tonight at the annual Jefferson Day dinner of the National Democratic Club.

"The great idea of an organized peace and of a league of justice," Mr. Colby said, "is today even greater and more impressive than its builders dreamed. Almost from hour to hour, the wisdom of events, which is often greater than that of men, declares it to be the only solution of the world's perplexities, the only cure of its woes. One by one, the shrewd evasions, the artful substitutes, the loud puffing and poisonous alternatives crumble up under the test of actualities."

"The Democratic party can afford to wait in patience and confidence. The dawn is approaching. The day is at hand when America will speak to her afflicted brethren throughout the world in the language of honor and justice, of generosity and unselfishness, of performance and fulfillment."

## FLASK OF BOOZE ON HIP IS VIOLATION OF LAW

(By Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, April 9.—The man who carries a hip-pocket flask containing alcoholic liquor today was placed in the same class with the man who carries a gun or a dirk by John A. Leach, first deputy police commissioner, who has charge of police enforcement of the new State dry law here.

"Anyone carrying liquor," he said, "is just as much of a violator of the law as one who carries a pistol."

Detectives all over the city continued their raids upon saloons and restaurants, making scores of arrests. In Brooklyn alone there were forty-one alleged violators apprehended. A special force was busy in the appeals bureau of the district attorney's office preparing to present liquor cases to the grand jury on Monday.

## WILLIAMS SENTENCED TO SERVE LIFE TERM

Georgia Planter Remains Calm as Court Clerk Reads the Verdict of Guilty.

### WIFE AND DAUGHTER PRESENT

Sentence Is Passed Immediately After Panel Renders Its Decision. Attorneys for Defense Enter Motion for New Trial.

(By United Press.)

COURTHOUSE, COVINGTON, GA., April 9.—John S. Williams, wealthy planter and proprietor of the Jasper County "death farm," was sentenced to life imprisonment here today. He was sentenced to spend the remainder of his life in the State prison for the death of a negro—Lindsey Peterson, one of eleven negroes murdered on and near Williams' big plantation.

Peterson's body, tied with that of Willie Preston, was washed ashore on the Newton County banks of the Yellow River. Williams also is under indictment in Newton County for the death of Preston and Harry Price, two other negroes whose bodies were found in the Alevy River.

Sentence of life imprisonment was made when the jury trying Williams recommended mercy.

A motion for a new trial will be argued at Desatur at 10 A. M. April 20, Judge John H. Hutcheson, presiding, announced.

Williams' conviction followed a trial which started Tuesday.

The State relied almost exclusively in prosecuting Williams on the confession of Clyde Manning, negro "boss" on Williams' plantation, who testified to killing and aiding Williams' kill a total of eleven negro farm hands.

### JUDGE J. C. PRITCHARD NOT EXPECTED TO LIVE

(By Associated Press.)

ASHVILLE, N. C., April 9.—Federal Judge Jeter Conley Pritchard, senior judge Fourth United States District Circuit Court, is not expected to survive the night, attending physicians announced at midnight.

Complications, probably pneumonia, are said to have aggravated the attack of Bright's disease. Members of the family are at the bedside, where the widely-known jurist lay unconscious and his demise is considered to be only a matter of hours.

## BRITISH WARSHIPS TO AID IN QUELLING LABOR OUTBREAKS

### CONSIDERS 2 RAIL WAGE PROPOSALS

President Studies All Sides of Controversy Between Owners and Employees.

### WANT SPEEDY SETTLEMENT

Security Owners Would Form Regional Board to Settle All Disputes That May Arise.

WASHINGTON, April 9.—President Harding has before him two separate and distinct proposals for settlement of the dispute between the railroads and their employees. One proposition, that from S. Davies Warfield and Darwin P. Kingsley, representing railroad security owners, is that he use his good offices to bring about regional conferences between representatives of the carriers and their men. The other, submitted by R. M. Lowell, on behalf of the five railroad mechanical unions, is that he bring about a general conference.

#### Would Form Regional Board.

Mr. Warfield and Mr. Kingsley believe that one outcome of the conferences they have suggested would be the formation of a regional railway board, each of the four groups of which the carriers have been constituted by the Interstate Commerce Commission. Such boards, it is explained, would be composed of representatives in equal numbers of the railroads and the men. To them would be referred disputes which could not be adjusted by direct negotiation between the carriers' managers and the employees. Should the regional boards fail to adjust the differences, the disputed points would go to the Railroad Labor Board at Chicago.

#### Want Speedy Settlement.

Railroad security owners are represented as feeling that there should be some settlement speedily arrived at between the roads and their men; that the situation is too critical generally to have methods of procedure interrupt settlements. It was in view of this, it is explained, that the executive committee of the National Association of Railroad Security Owners asked the representatives of the four railroad brotherhoods to conference with it. The five railroad mechanical unions were not represented at the conference, which is said to have developed in the minds of the members of the security owners' committee that the difficulties could be adjusted.

In giving further consideration today to the general railroad situation, President Harding conferred with L. D. Sheppard, president of the Brotherhood of Railway Conductors. Mr. Sheppard is understood to have advised against any general reduction of employees' wages.

### 1 KILLED, 5 INJURED, IN FIRE ENGINE MISHAP IN GEORGIA

(By Associated Press.)

ROME, GA., April 9.—W. M. Ray, a farmer, aged 65, was killed, and five other persons injured here this afternoon, when a logging engine crashed into a large truck belonging to the Gulf Refining Company.

Ray was standing on the sidewalk and was struck by the fire engine. The drivers of both vehicles were among the injured.

### 2 KILLED 6 WOUNDED, IN LIMERICK AND MACROOM

(By Associated Press.)

DUBLIN, April 9.—One civilian was killed, four policemen were wounded, probably fatally, and a boy and a woman were wounded last night in Limerick during an attack of a police patrol by armed civilians.

The civilian casualties, it was stated, were caused by the fire of the attacking party.

Two policemen were ambushed last night near Macroom, County Cork, one of them being killed. The other escaped.

## KIWANIANS GATHER HERE FOR ANNUAL CONVENTION

Banquet and Entertainment at Jefferson Hotel Completes Gayeties of Day—Delegation From Washington Motor Down—Greeted at Glen Allen.

Richmond was thronged yesterday with delegates to the annual convention of the Capital District Kiwanis Clubs. Members of the many local clubs of the district began arriving on Friday and when the time of the banquet at the Jefferson Hotel arrived last night there were approximately 700 visitors present, many accompanied by their wives.

The Capital District comprises Maryland, Delaware, District of Columbia and Virginia with local clubs at all of the principal cities. The first delegation arrived Friday afternoon, the Washingtonians, who were met at Glen Allen by a reception committee and escorted into the city.

District Governor J. D. Hank, Jr., Assistant Attorney-General of Vir-

### DESTROYERS STEAM INTO WELSH PORTS READY FOR ACTION

Coal Miners' Strike in Fair Way of Settlement Through Negotiations.

### STRIKERS AGREE TO MEET OWNERS FOR CONFERENCE

Government Willing That Wage Question Should Be Adjusted on National Basis.

TO DISCUSS ISSUES INVOLVED

Workers Urged to Abstain From Any Action That Would Jeopardize Safety of Mines.

#### FAIR WAY OF SETTLEMENT

(By Associated Press.)

LONDON, April 9.—The strike of the coal miners, which threatened to carry with it a general strike of the railway men and transport workers, seems now to be in a fair way of settlement through negotiations.

The dispute throughout has been fruitful of surprises, and another one was sprung tonight, when after conferences and interviews between the parties concerned lasting all day long, and when it was supposed that all efforts to move the miners had proved ineffectual, it was suddenly announced that a conference with the coal owners had been convened for Monday to discuss the questions involved, while notices were sent to the mining districts urging abstention from any action that would interfere with necessary measures for the safety of the mines.

#### Arranged Unconditionally.

The only explanation yet available as to what inducements were offered to the miners to remove their rooted objection to assenting to steps assuring the safety of the mine owners' property is the somewhat cryptic statement of Frank Hodges, secretary of the miners' union: "The conference was arranged unconditionally."

Whether the rumors that the government is willing that the wage question should be adjusted on a national basis may be held to explain the change in the situation is unknown. If, as Mr. Hodges suggests, the government and mine owners have really agreed to an unconditional conference, that would be sufficient to induce the miners to yield the pumping point. In any case, the unexpected agreement gives the liveliest hopes that the struggle which would have swept the country, will be averted.

Arthur Henderson, the labor leader, who is in close touch with all the negotiations, although not personally concerned in today's meetings with Premier Lloyd George, was tonight full of confidence that there will be no general strike Tuesday.

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